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Chairman Julius Genachowski  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street SW  
Washington, DC 20554

*RE: In the Matter of applications of AT&T Inc. and Deutsche Telekom AG for consent to assign or Transfer Control of licenses and Authorizations; (WT Proceeding - No. 11-65).*

Dear Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners:

I urge you to support the proposed merger between AT&T and T-Mobile USA because it will bring many benefits to the residents and businesses of Sedgwick County, Kansas.

Once home to trading posts and cow towns, Sedgwick County is now home to a diverse and vibrant economy. To continue thriving, however, Sedgwick County and counties like it will rely more and more on information and communications infrastructure. For this reason, it is important that the merger is approved.

As a Commissioner, my job is to assure quality public services that provide for the present and future well-being of the citizens of Sedgwick County. Walk around Sedgwick County and you'll see that the future is wireless. From businesses making use of tablets to busy parents managing their lives on smartphones, everyone is cutting the cord and going mobile. If approved, the developing AT&T – T-Mobile merger will bring the infrastructure improvements that will allow more citizens to enjoy such high quality services. All of this can be achieved without any taxpayer dollars, as AT&T has vowed to privately fund the 8 billion dollar project.

By approving the merger between AT&T and T-Mobile, you can take a meaningful action that will result in expanded access to high-speed mobile broadband, as AT&T will expand its 4G LTE technology to over 97 percent of the country. That will greatly benefit the people of Sedgwick County and specifically the smaller communities of Cheney, Garden Plain and

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Clearwater in my District, provide for their future well-being. Therefore, I ask you to approve the merger.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Karl Peterjohn", written over the word "Sincerely,".

Commissioner Karl Peterjohn  
Sedgwick County Board of Commissioners

cc: Commissioner Michael J. Copps  
Commissioner Robert M. McDowell  
Commissioner Mignon Clyburn